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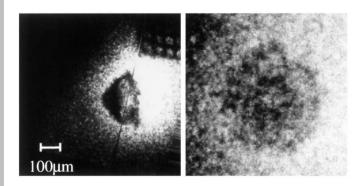


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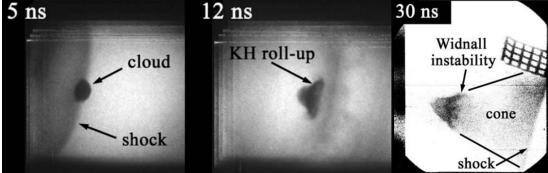
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Side and face-on SBI radiographs on Omega. Lineouts used for mode analysis. [2]

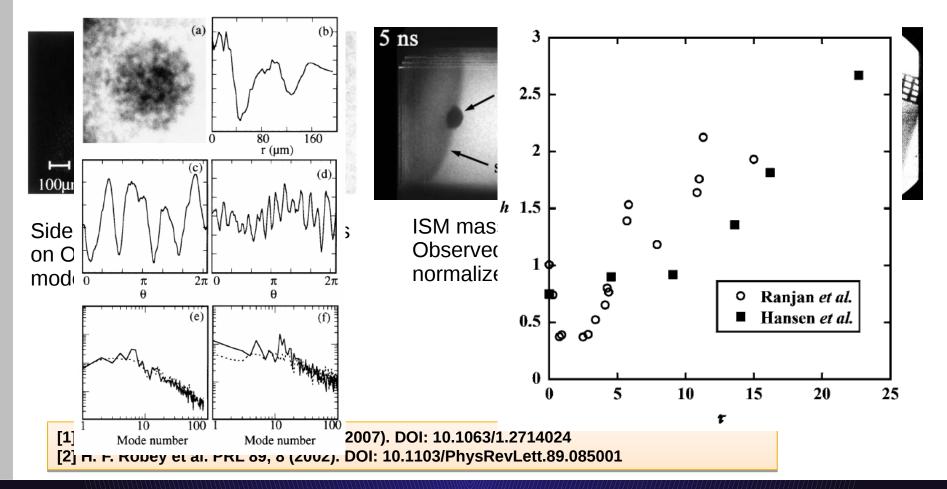


ISM mass stripping experiment on Omega. Observed Widnall instability. Lineout study of normalized width/height [1].

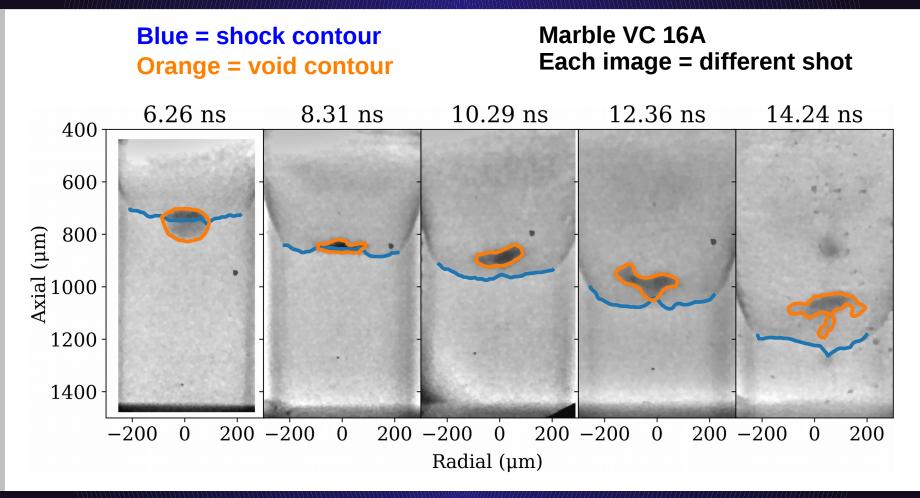
[1] J. F. Hansen et al. PoP 14, 056505 (2007). DOI: 10.1063/1.2714024

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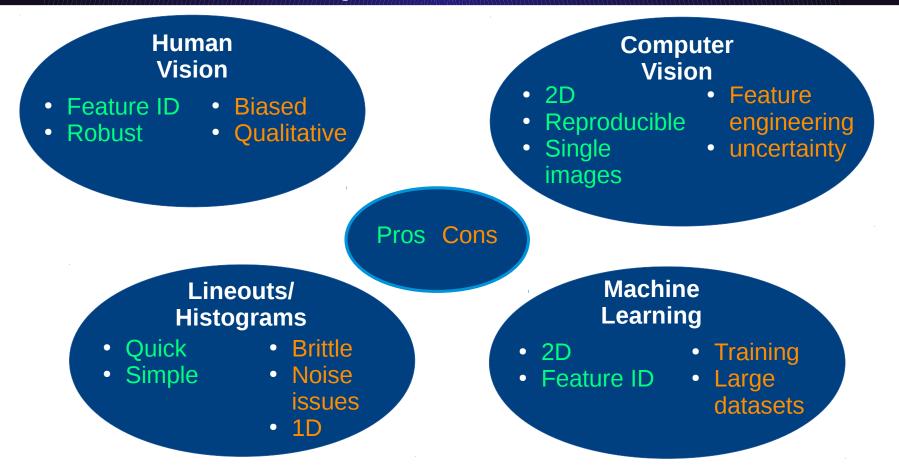


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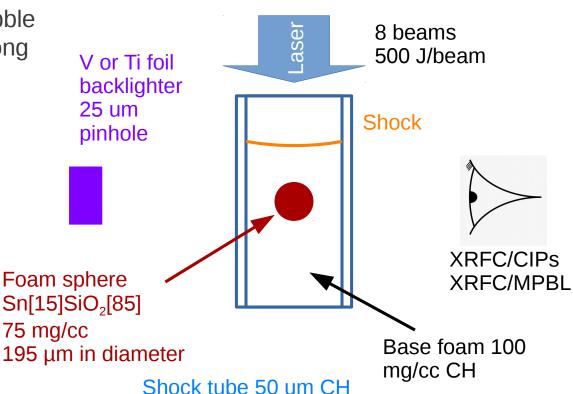
#### Computer Vision Techniques

## Why computer vision? Semi-automated analysis on small datasets.



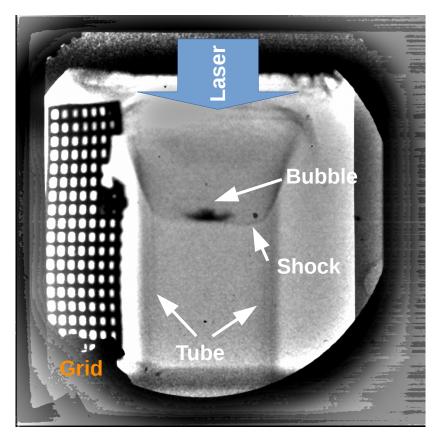
## Example radiographs from Marble VC, a platform for testing our understanding of SBI in plasmas

- Complex physics of shock-bubble interaction (SBI) provide a strong test for theory/simulations
  - Compression
  - Morphology/mix
  - Instabilities
- Optimized for contrast
- Bubble is lower density than ambient (divergent SBI), but higher attenuation due to dopant

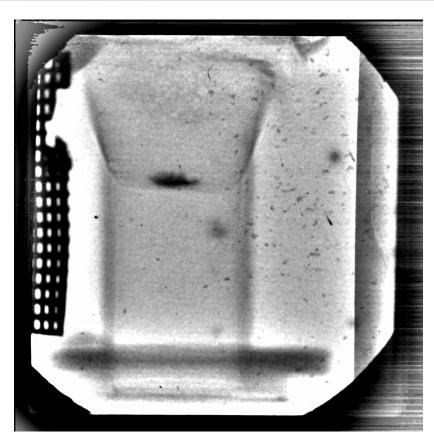


The Marble VC campaign was supported by the Office of Experimental Science Primary Assessment Technologies and Secondary Assessment Technologies Programs

## Marble VC platform produces radiographs of SBI along two orthogonal lines of sight

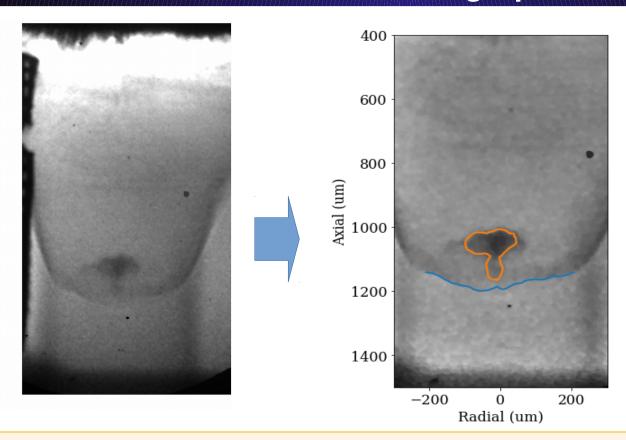


TIM 6, XRFC 3, MPBL, V BL



TIM 3, XRFC 5, CIPs, Ti BL

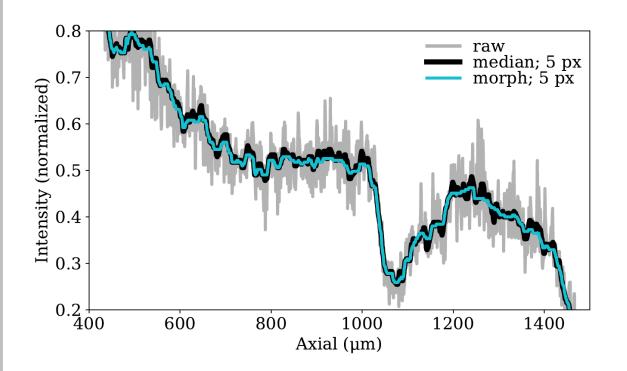
#### Using computer vision libraries we extract shock and bubble contours from raw radiographs



- Computer vision techniques:
  - Morphological filtering cleans hot pixels and camera artifacts
  - Watershed segmentation retrieves contours
  - Reduce bias from human input
  - Increase reproducibility

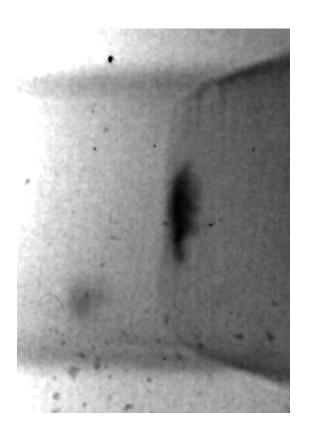
"Use of computer vision for analysis of image datasets from high temperature plasma experiments" accepted to RSI proceedings of the 23<sup>rd</sup> HTPD conference

#### Median and morphological filters remove noise while preserving edges

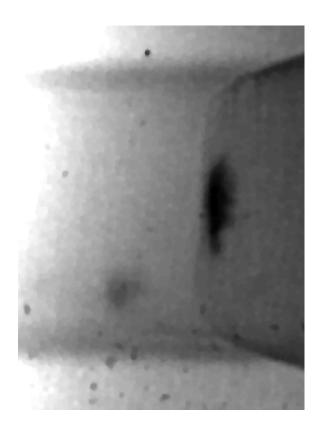


- Median filters remove impulse noise
- Morphological filters remove "salt and pepper" noise and small cracks
- Disk kernel of radius
   5 pixels was found
   to be suitable for this
   image set
- General trend of dip in intensity at shock/bubble does not seem distorted

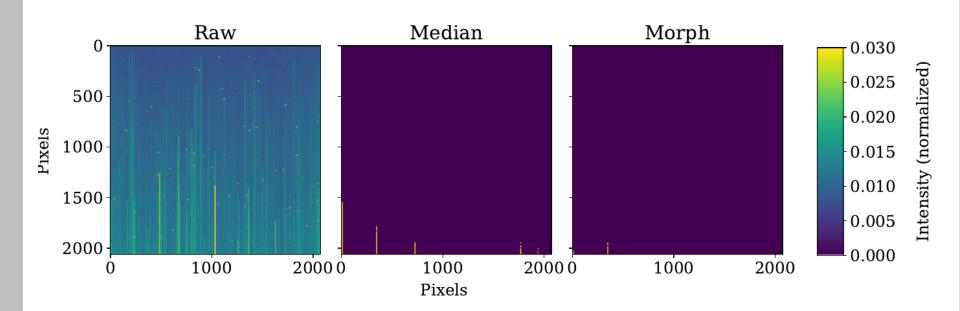
#### **Morphological filters remove small artifacts**



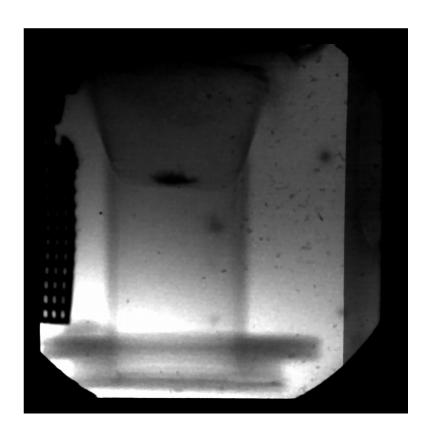




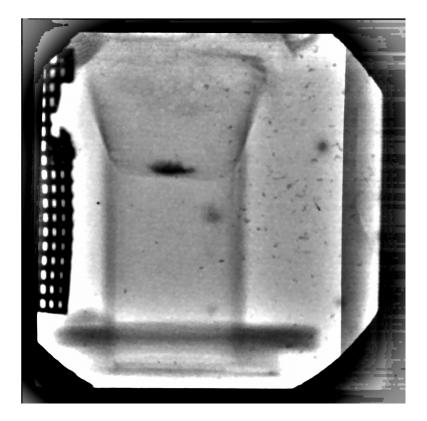
#### Median/morphological filtering also cleans hot pixels and "streaks" inherent to using x-ray framing cameras



# Pseudo-flatfielding removes large lighting variations and preserves short scale contrast gradients

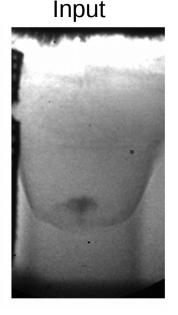






#### Watershed segments the image based on topological features

Watershed segmentation uses 2D info, and is less susceptible to noise/gaps at feature edges

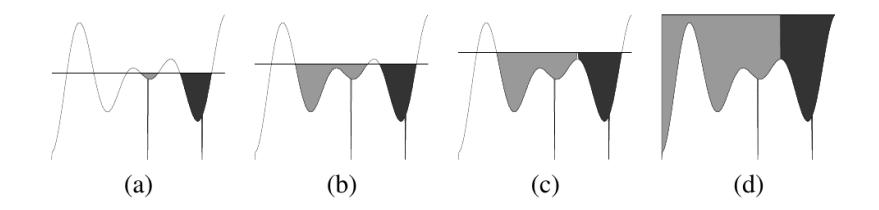








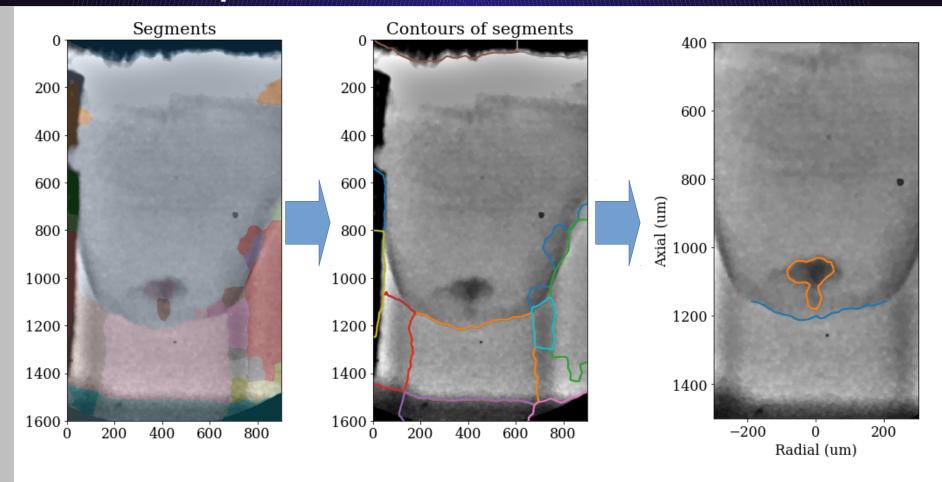
#### Watershed segmentation divides the image like a topological map



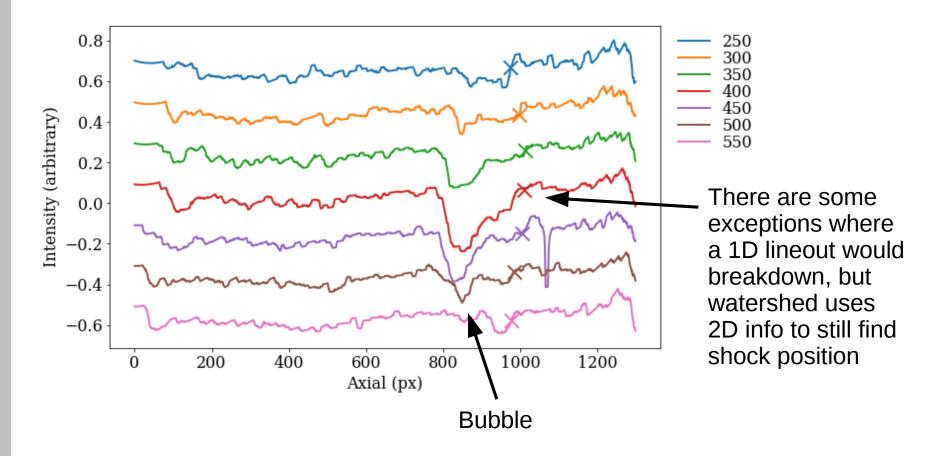
- Initiate markers of different regions
- Fill regions, starting from minima, with different colors of water
- Where different colors meet, build a "dam" marking the boundary between segments
- Keep filling with water until all peaks are under water

[1] E. R. Dougherty. Hands On Morphological Image Processing. SPIE Press (2003).

## Contours are taken around segment and then indexed to relevant portions



## Ridge plots show shock position is identified in middle of contrast gradient, when a clear gradient exists

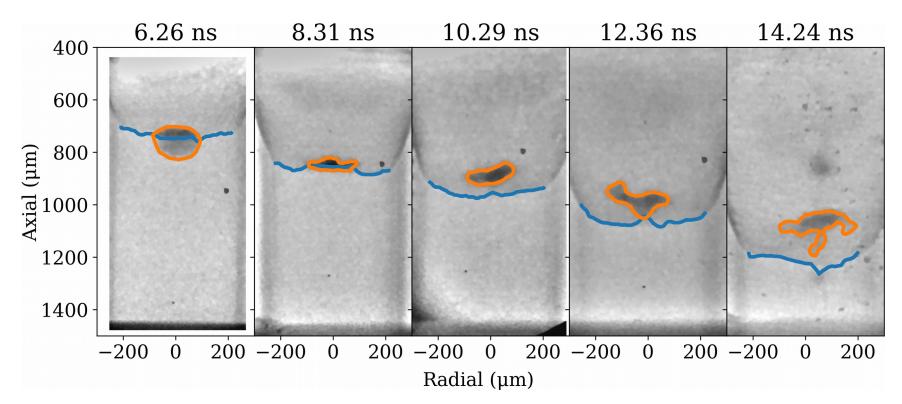


#### **Experiments and Simulations**

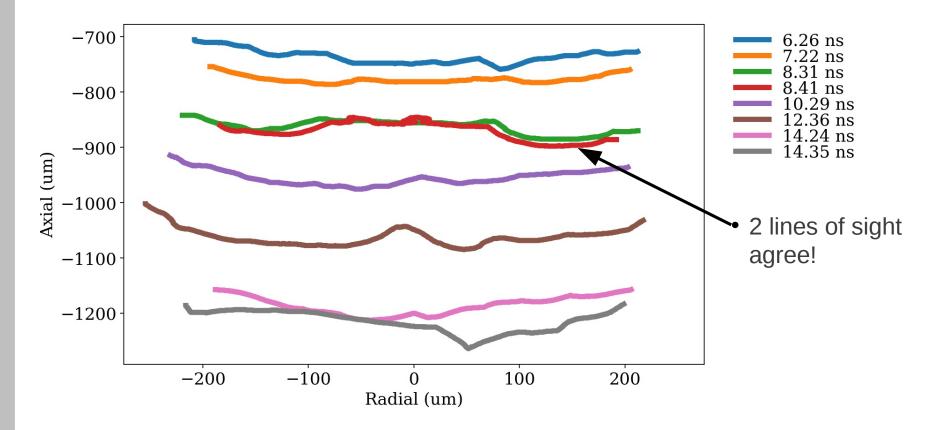
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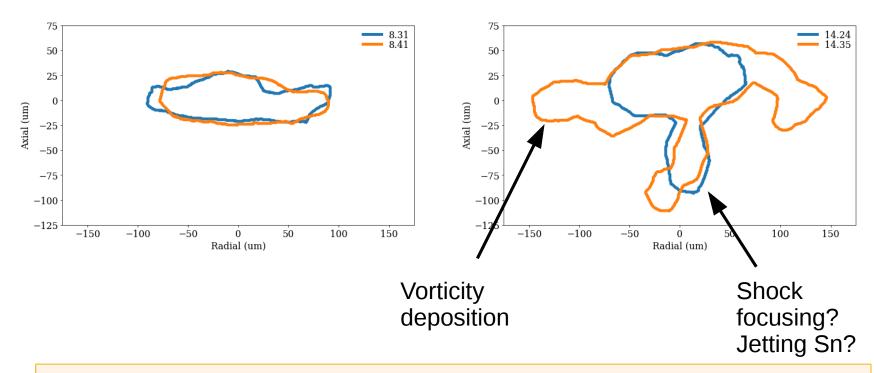
#### **Each image = different shot**



#### We can now diagnose symmetry between two lines of sight on the same shot

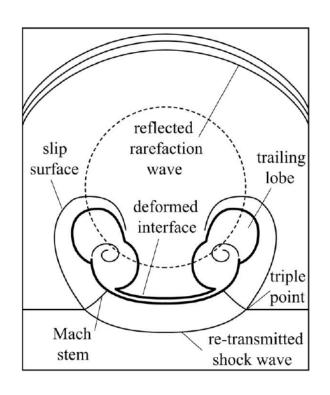


#### We can quantitatively track the distortions in the bubble over time and from different views

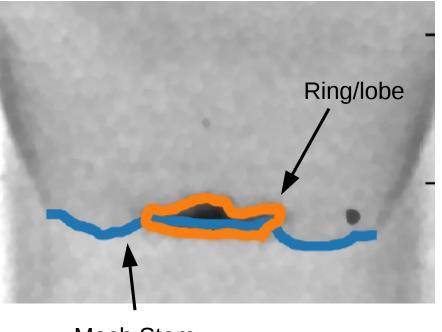


Simultaneous images of bubbles from two lines of sight enable us to check for cylindrical symmetry in the system

## We begin to examine divergent SBI in detail, closing the gap between classical hydro and HED data



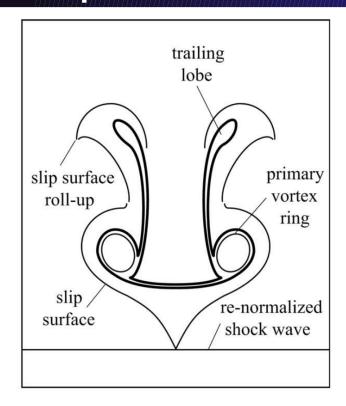
8.31 ns, 81429, XRFC 3



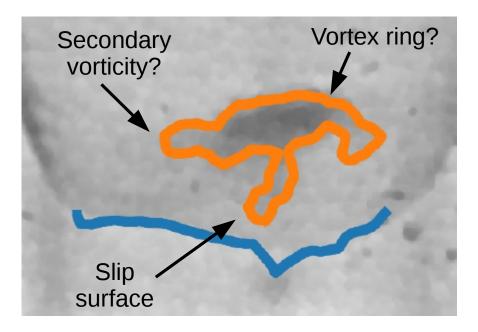
Mach Stem

D. Ranjan et al. Phys Fluids. 20, 036101 (2008). doi.org/10.1063/1.2840198

#### Later time images are not as clear and require further interpretation

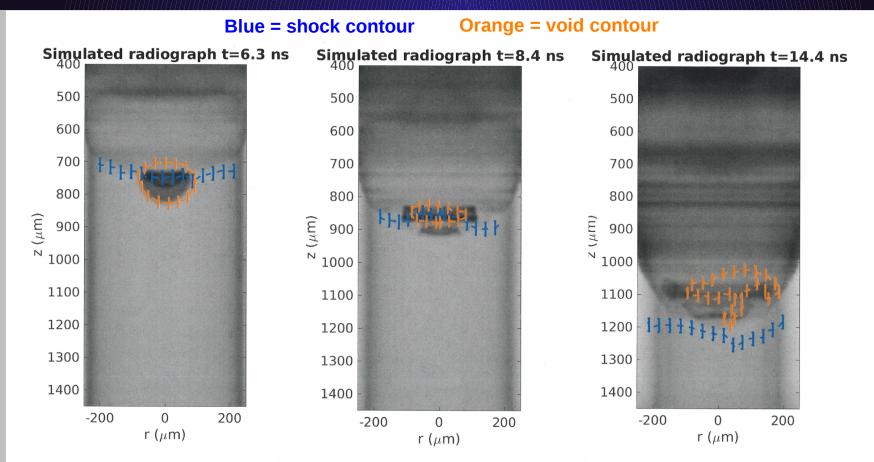


14.24 ns, 81431, XRFC 3



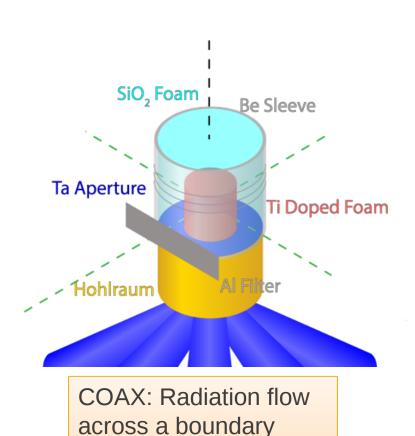
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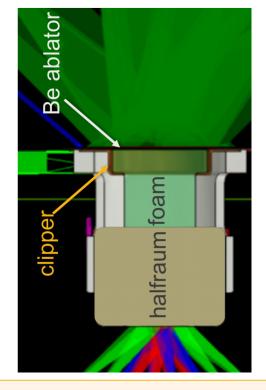
#### Direct comparisons between xRAGE simulations and experiments show early time agreement and late time discrepancies



• Simulations produced by B. M. Haines

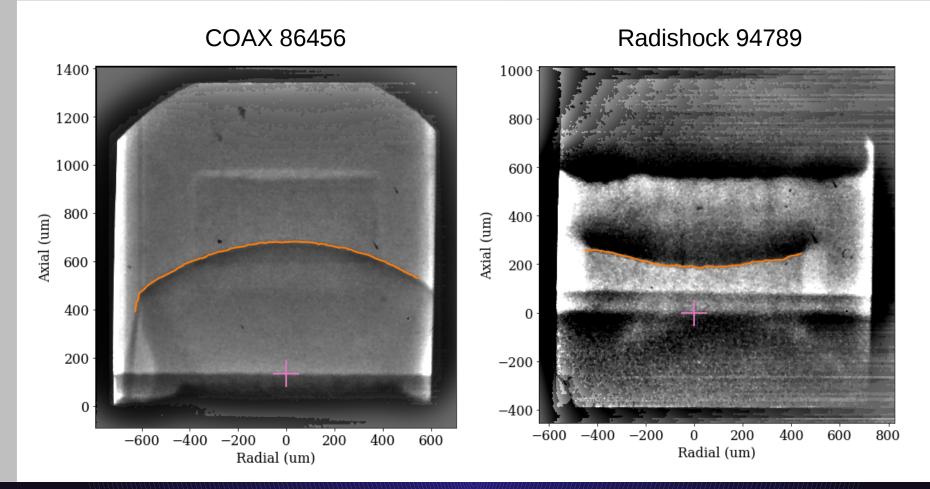
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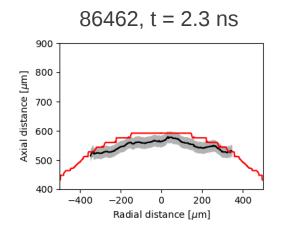


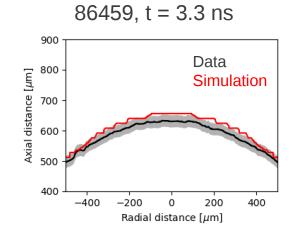
Radishock: Radiation flow meets an opposing shock

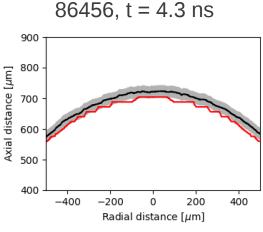
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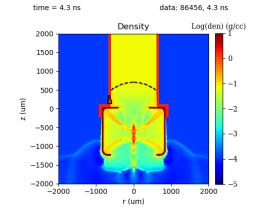
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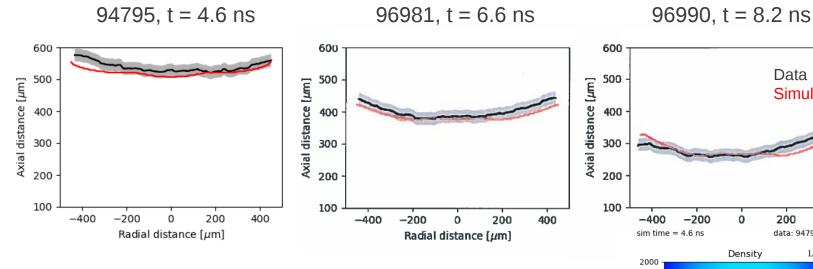




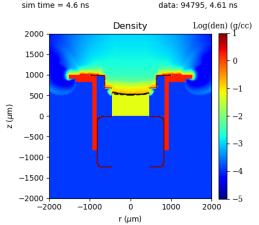
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- Flux limiter 0.05
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#### Direct comparisons of shock curvature for Radishock experiments and simulations show agreement



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Data

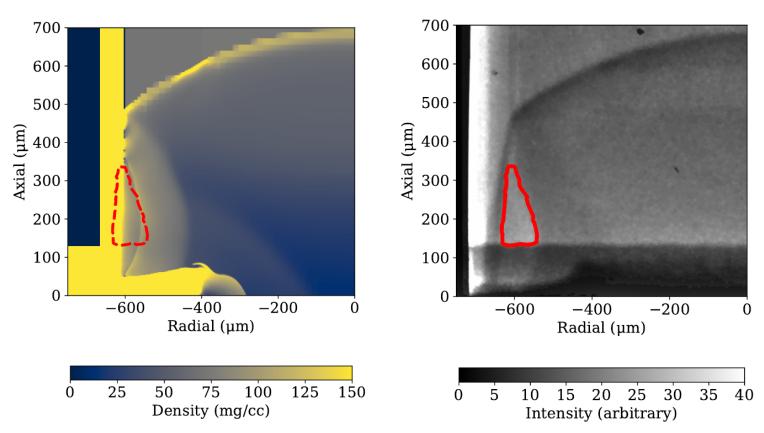
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Simulation

400

#### We are beginning to capture secondary features such a Be wall inflow to further constrain simulations





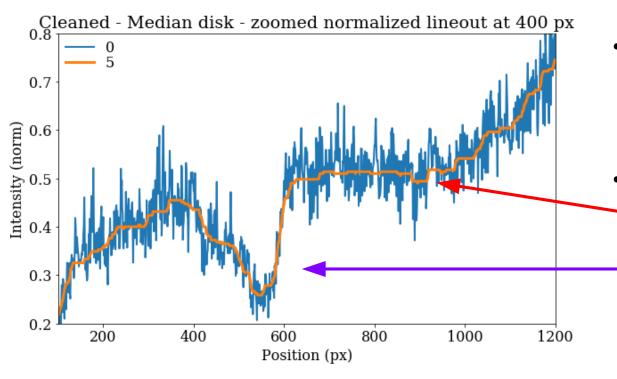
#### Conclusions

- Computer vision techniques can clean and enhance images as well as extract 2D feature contours to track shocks, bubble, and secondary features over time
- Extraction of these 2D contours enables detailed tracking of interactions (Mach stem in SBI) and symmetries in the system
- 2D contours also enable direct, quantitative comparisons with simulations, where 1D analyses may yield incorrect interpretations
- There is a wealth of secondary features to further explore!



#### Backup Slides

### Intensity banding may occur for larger kernels – cleaning should be limited to smaller kernels



- Here, a disk kernel with 10 pixel radius was used for morphological filtering
  - Banding is apparent in flat intensity regions, though gradient regions exhibit less banding

### Comparison of contrast equalization techniques showed pseudo-flatfield works best for our data

